

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims shown below. The claims, as pending in the subject application, read as follows:

1. to 18. (Canceled)

19. (Currently Amended) A data communication control apparatus for communicating with a plurality of terminals, comprising:

    a receiving device adapted to receive image data and voice data from a first terminal which communicates image data and voice data to be distributed to a second terminal which communicates via at least text data or voice data;

    a voice recognition device adapted to recognize the voice data from the first terminal and to generate text data based upon the recognized voice data;

    an image file generating device adapted to generate an image file on the basis of the received image data;

    a control device adapted to control ~~a way of distributing~~ distribution of data corresponding to a kind of the second terminal; and

    a data distributing device adapted to distribute the generated text data generated by the voice recognition device and the generated image file generated by the image file generating device to the second terminal ~~in a case where the second terminal is a general-purpose terminal, and~~ , or to distribute the image data and the voice data by a predetermined protocol for video conference to the second terminal, by controlling a

distribution method for distributing the data in a case where the second terminal is a dedicated video conference terminal.

20. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 19, wherein said data distributing device distributes the text data in real-time.

21. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 19, wherein said data distributing device further distributes text data, which has been entered from the second terminal, to the first terminal.

22. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 19, wherein said voice recognition device generates text-chat data.

23. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 22, wherein said second terminal has a data conferencing function based upon text-chat data.

24. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 23, wherein the first terminal has a data conferencing function based upon text-chat data.

25. (Original) The apparatus according to claim 22, wherein the text-chat data is in compliance with ITU-T Recommendation T.120.

26. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 19, wherein the second terminal is connected via the Internet Protocol.

27. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 26, wherein said generated image file is HTML-format hypertext data for the second terminal, including the image data.

28. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 27, wherein said image file generating device includes an HTTP server.

29. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 19, wherein the first terminal is a videoconferencing terminal in compliance with any of ITU-T Recommendations H.320, H.323 and H.324.

30. (Original) The apparatus according to claim 29, wherein the data communication control apparatus is in compliance with ITU-T Recommendations H.231 and H.243.

31. to 39. (Canceled)

40. (Currently Amended) A control method in a data communication control apparatus for communicating with a plurality of terminals, comprising the steps of:

a receiving step of receiving image data and voice data from a first terminal which communicates image data and voice data to be distributed to a second terminal which communicates via at least text data or voice data;

a voice recognition step of recognizing the voice data from the first terminal and generating text data based upon the recognized voice data;

an image file generating step of generating an image file on the basis of the received image data;

a control step of controlling ~~a way of distributing~~ distribution of data corresponding to a kind of the second terminal; and

a data distributing step of distributing the generated text data generated by the voice recognition step and the generated image file generated by the image file generating step to the second terminal ~~in a case where the second terminal is a general-purpose terminal, and~~ , or to distribute the image data and the voice data by a predetermined protocol for video conference to the second terminal, by controlling a distribution method for distributing the data in a case where the second terminal is a dedicated video conference terminal.

41. to 45. (Canceled)

46. (Currently Amended) A computer readable recording medium on which has been recorded program code of a control method in a data communication control apparatus for communicating with a plurality of terminals, said program code comprising:

code of a receiving step of receiving image data and voice data from a first terminal which communicates image data and voice data to be distributed to a second terminal which communicates via at least text data or voice data;

code of a voice recognition step of recognizing the voice data from the first terminal and generating text data based upon the recognized voice data;

code of an image file generating step of generating an image file on the basis of the received image data;

code of a control step of controlling ~~a way of distributing~~ distribution of data corresponding to a kind of the second terminal; and

code of a data distributing step of distributing the generated text data generated by the voice recognition step and the generated image file generated by the image file generating step to the second terminal ~~in a case where the second terminal is a general-purpose terminal, and, or~~ to distribute the image data and the voice data by a predetermined protocol for video conference to the second terminal, by controlling a distribution method for distributing the data in a case where the second terminal is a dedicated video conference terminal.

47. (Canceled)

48. (Canceled)